

### REMARKS

Claims 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10-13 are now presented for examination. Claims 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12, which are now the only independent claims in this application, have been amended to define still more clearly what Applicants regard as their invention. These changes are purely formal ones that are neither intended nor believed to narrow the scope of any claim recitation. Claims 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. A substitute specification, including the abstract, is submitted herewith in both a marked and a clean version to make a number of purely formal changes to the specification; no new matter has been added. Informalities in the drawing also have been corrected.

Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

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